

Georgette Howard

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Howard, Georgette Ross. On Tuesday, November 12, 1968, at her residence, 2900 Connecticut ave. nw., Georgette Ross Howard, wife of the late Robert C. Howard; mother of Jean Ross Howard of the home address; sister of Mildred V. Ross of the home address; aunt of Betsy Ross of Urbana, Ill. Friends may call at Joseph Gawler Sons, Wisconsin ave. at Harrison st. nw. (parking on premises) Thursday 7-9 p.m. Services will be held at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church, 1313 New York ave. nw., Friday, November 15, at 3 p.m. Interment Congressional Cemetery. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

The Evening Star, November 14, 1968, p. B5

Mrs. Georgette Howard, 91, Lecturer and Broadcaster

Mrs. Georgette Ross Howard, 91, who was widely known among clubwomen here for her lecture series, died Tuesday at her home, 2900 Connecticut Ave. NW.

A District native, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Ross, her father serving as a District commissioner from 1890 to 1902. Her husband, realtor Robert Howard, to whom she was married in 1912, died in 1932.

She was graduated from Goucher College in Baltimore in 1899, received library training in Albany, N.Y., and later was connected with children's libraries in Cleveland and with the District Public Library.

In 1931, Mrs. Howard inaugurated a series of weekly current events and lectures at the Sulgrave Club. Traveling a great deal, she based her lectures largely on first-hand information on foreign affairs.

Later she gave a similar series of lectures in New York, Richmond, and Los Angeles.

Also during this time, Mrs. Howard covered embassy parties here for radio station WTOP, broadcasting her commentaries on the "Embassy Row" program.

She had been a member of the 20th Century Club here since 1923. From 1958 to 1965 she was with the research department of the Republican National Committee.

She leaves a daughter, Jean R. Howard, and a sister, Mildred V. Ross, both of the home.

The Washington Post, November 15, 1968, p. C14

Mrs. Howard, Daughter of D.C. Official

Georgette Ross Howard, 91, daughter of the late District Commissioner John W. Ross, died Tuesday at her home, 2900 Connecticut ave., after a long illness.

A native Washingtonian, Mrs. Howard attended District schools and graduated from Goucher College, Towson, Md., in 1899. She later trained as a librarian and became children's librarian in the District Public Library in 1905.

In the '30s, she began a series of lectures on "Current Topics" at the Sulgrave Club, and later gave a similar series in Richmond, New York and Los Angeles.

During this same period, Mrs. Howard conducted a weekly program, "Embassy Row" on WTOP radio here.

In 1958 she became a volunteer at the Republican National Committee and subsequently became a Committee employe until 1965, when she retired.

Mrs. Howard is survived by a daughter, Jean Ross Howard; a sister, Mildred V. Ross, both of the home address; and a niece, Betsy Ross, of Urbana, Ill.